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Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.97, Documents A1-A67 are listed on the attached Form PTO-1449. Documents A1-A4, A14-A61 were disclosed and discussed in the text of the subject patent application; whereas Documents A6-A8, A10-A11, A62-A63, and A65-A67 were subsequently located and are therefore provided herewith. Document A5, an issued U.S. patent, and Document A9, its published PCT counterpart, describe an invention of the present inventor that relates to a hepatitis B core-based vaccine. Document A12 is a published PCT application of the present inventor that discloses stabilized hepatitis B core-based vaccines. Document A13 is the published PCT version of the subject application.

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Documents A42, A56 and A65-A66 were cited in the International Search Report (copy enclosed) for Document A13 (PCT Application WO 02/13765), corresponding to the present application. Document A64 is a poster presented by the inventor and co-workers in October of 1999 of results using vaccine candidates. None of these cited documents disclose, enable or teach claimed subject matter of the present invention.

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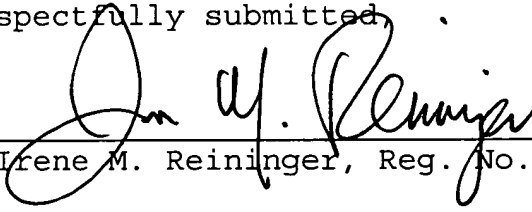
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